

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
Research Project Grants
Total Number of Awards and Dollars
(Dollars in thousands)

	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007 Continuing Resolution	FY 2008 President's Budget
No. of Awards;										
Competing	8,566	8,765	9,101	9,396	10,411	10,020	9,599	9,129	9,622	10,188
Noncompeting	20,149	21,779	23,322	24,921	25,776	27,040	27,385	27,366	26,668	26,098
Subtotal (includes Noncomp)	28,715	in	32,423	34,317	36,187	37,060	36,984	36,495	36,290	36,286
SBIR	1,508	1,640	1,699	1,889	2,032	2,181	1,924	1,822	1,799	1,777
Total	30,223	32,184	34,122	36,206	38,219	39,241	38,908	38,317	38,089	38,063
Average Annual Cost:										
Competing	\$293.6	\$332.2	\$333.1	\$338.8	\$337.8	\$355.7	\$354.8	\$368.3	\$362.6	\$350.3
Total (includes Noncomp)	\$294.8	\$319.4	\$344.7	\$365.5	\$379.9	\$392.9	\$401.8	\$403.2	\$401.22	\$401.3
Percent Change over prior year average costs										
Competing RPGs	14.7%	13.2%	0.3%	1.7%	-0.3%	5.3%	-0.2%	3.8%	-1.5%	-3.4%
Total RPGs	6.2%	8.4%	7.9%		3.9%	3.4%	2.3%	0.4%	-0.5%	0.09%
Average Length of Award in Years	3.9	3.1	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.7	1.8

1/ As a policy, no inflationary increases were provided for competing RPGs. The apparent decrease in average cost in FY 2008 is the result of an extremely large cohort of AIDS clinical trials cycling from competing into noncompeting status (77 awards, average cost \$1.8 million per award). While there will be no inflationary increases for direct, recurring costs in Noncompeting continuation RPGs, where the NIH has committed to a programmatic increase in an award, such increases will be provided.

Numbers of grants identified in FY 2007 and FY 2008 are estimates, and WILL change as applications are received and selected for funding.